

Bayern, Villa qualify for finals

LONDON (R) — Bayern Munich of West Germany and English Cup winners Aston Villa qualified for the 27th European Cup final in contrasting fashion Wednesday. Bayern, who will be chasing the trophy for the fourth time in Rotterdam on May 26, crushed Bulgarian giant-killers CSKA Sofia 4-0 in Munich to go through on a 7-4 aggregate. World Cup stars Paul Breitner and Karl-Heinz Rummenigge, the "European footballer of the year," each scored two goals. Villa, defending a slender 1-0 advantage, put the accent on defence in Brussels but a goalless draw was enough to guarantee them a place in the final in their first European Cup campaign.

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Arafat: Egypt will return to Arab fold

BONN (R) — Yasser Arafat, Chairman of the Palestine Liberation Organisation (PLO), was quoted Wednesday as saying he expected Egypt to move back politically towards the other Arab states once Israel had withdrawn from the Sinai. He told the Hamburg weekly Die Zeit in an interview in Beirut that he expected "a hesitant and timid change in this direction." Everything depended on Egypt itself, including opposition forces there. Mr. Arafat said he was sure that the Egyptian people were friendly towards the Palestinians and that Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak would fulfil the wishes of his people.

Karachi police seize Afghan gun-haul

KARACHI (R) — Authorities at Karachi port have seized 250 British-made assault rifles shipped to Pakistan by an Afghan company in London, police said Wednesday. The police said the 303-type rifles were found in 21 crates, the contents of which were not declared by the senders. The police refused to name the Afghan company that shipped the weapons or to whom they were sent, but said four men belonging to a clearing firm in Karachi were being interrogated. Several Afghan rebel groups fighting against the Soviet-backed government in Afghanistan are based in Pakistan.

U.K. firms net trans-Gibraltar contracts

RABAT (R) — Two British firms of consulting engineers have been awarded contracts for preliminary feasibility surveys for a tunnel and a bridge across the Straits of Gibraltar, officials said Wednesday. Mott, Hay and Anderson, International of Croydon, will carry out a study for a rail and/or road tunnel in association with the Spanish company Intesco, and five Moroccan concerns. Freeman, Fox and Partners of London, has been awarded a contract to do a survey for a bridge linking Spain and Morocco. The project would be a joint Moroccan-Spanish enterprise and the preliminary surveys are due to be completed by next October. Further technical studies are expected to take seven years and the actual construction at least five more years.

Dope condoms burst in smuggler's belly

WEST BERLIN (R) — A West Berlin heroin smuggler was critically ill Wednesday after five rubber condoms he had swallowed containing the drug burst in his stomach, police said. The police said he had been trying to smuggle 55 grammes of heroin into West Berlin from Pakistan but his stomach acids had eaten through the thin rubber of the contraceptives and leaked the heroin. A girlfriend took him to hospital after he complained of severe stomach cramps.

1st U.S. woman, black astronauts named

WASHINGTON (R) — The first woman and the first black astronauts to be selected for a U.S. space mission have been named by the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA).

Sally Ride, who holds a doctorate in astrophysics, was selected for the crew of the seventh shuttle flight scheduled for April 1983, and Guion Bluford, a former air force pilot, was chosen for the eighth shuttle flight in July of next year.

Finnish envoy dies in Israel

TEL-AVIV (R) — Finland's ambassador to Israel, Paavo Holminen, died in Tel Aviv on Monday after a short illness, the embassy announced Wednesday. He was 53. Mr. Holminen took up his post less than two months ago. He previously served in Warsaw, Vienna and Berne and for the past 10 years held a senior position in the foreign ministry in Helsinki. He leaves a wife and three grown sons.

JD 3 million sought to restore Al Aqsa

AMMAN (Petra) — The Ministry of Awqaf and Islamic Affairs has submitted a request to the government to make available a JD 3 million fund as soon as possible to carry out restoration of Al Aqsa Mosque in Jerusalem which was damaged during the criminal attack by an Israeli soldier on April 11.

The ministry memorandum said that most of the fund should be basically raised by the Islamic bodies in the Arab World and that additional allocations should be made to strengthen guard security at the mosque's gates.

The ministry announced Wednesday the receipt of JD 15,000 as a contribution by the shari'a cou-

Syria urges Israel's expulsion from U.N.

UNITED NATIONS (Agencies) — Syria has called for Israel's expulsion from the U.N. shortly after the United States vetoed a Security Council resolution implicitly blaming Israel for the April 11 attack on Al Aqsa Mosque.

Shortly after the council vote, the 157-nation General Assembly resumed an emergency special session on Palestine that was adjourned in July 1980 but reactivated following a recent recommendation of the non-aligned group.

Syrian Deputy Prime Minister Abdul Halim Khaddam said the assembly had "no choice but to adopt a resolution" revoking a decision it took in 1949 to admit Israel to the world organization.

"The adoption of such a resolution would restore confidence in the international organization, in the international organization,

consolidate international legitimacy, and would not permit using the universality of this organization as a cover for aggression, oppression and injustice," he added.

Meanwhile, a State Department statement defended the U.S. veto. It said:

"We opposed the draft resolution in the Security Council because it contained language implying that part of the responsibility for the incident lay with the Israeli authorities, whereas all available evidence shows that it was the solitary act of an individual. The draft resolution also implied that Israel in some unspecified way had hindered the Higher Islamic Council in Jerusalem from carrying out its duties in the administration of the holy places.

By retracting his statement, Mr. Pym clearly left open the possibility that Britain's big naval task force now approaching the Falklands could go into action while negotiations are proceeding for a diplomatic solution. (Related story on page 8)

Argentine softens attitude

Cries go up in Tehran for Qotbzadeh's blood

LONDON (R) — Thousands of Iranians took to the streets Wednesday to call for the execution of former Foreign Minister Sadeq Qotbzadeh as a new campaign appeared to be gearing up to quash clerical opposition to Ayatollah Ruhollah Khomeini.

Tehran Radio said mass demonstrations took place throughout the country to denounce Mr. Qotbzadeh, 46, who is facing a death sentence for his part in an alleged plot to overthrow the 82-year-old revolutionary leader.

Residents in the capital said the demonstrators also reviled the country's second-ranking religious leader, Ayatollah Kazem Sharif-Madari, 82, as pro-American and unworthy of his place in Iran's Shi'ite Muslim hierarchy.

The government-sponsored campaign against Ayatollah Sharif-Madari, a focus of opposition, has peaked since Mr. Qotbzadeh implicated him in the alleged plot during a televised interrogation broadcast two nights ago.

Iranian sources noted the unexpected attacks on such a senior clergyman came in the run-up to scheduled elections for an assembly of experts to choose a successor to Ayatollah Khomeini, whose health is the subject of constant speculation in Tehran.

Elections for the assembly of experts were due to take place by the end of this month, but no date is known to have been set.

Iranian sources said the assembly's task in choosing the assembly of experts would be easier if top religious figures were silenced before the elections.

Several opposition groups have indicated Ayatollah Sharif-Madari as their choice to fill the constitutional position of religious leader currently occupied by Ayatollah Khomeini.

Weinberger says Soviets have better nuclear arms

He also said: "We have a great deal of evidence that the Soviets are increasingly coming to believe that a nuclear war is winnable. This is a new factor."

He cited the Soviet Union's major civil defence effort, barring of missile silos and extensive nuclear warhead production, which he said had outstripped the United States.

Last week Mr. Weinberger said Moscow had a missile that was significantly more accurate than any in the U.S. arsenal.

In his speech, he said the Soviet Union had improved the accuracy, yield, range and variety of its nuclear weapons to reach the "margin of superiority" which President Reagan said they now possessed.

He said U.S. military strength had faltered in the 1970s and added: "This worsening trend has now resulted in a margin of superiority in many categories of Soviet strategic nuclear, theatre nuclear and conventional forces."

He said the Soviet Union, which he called the only imperialist power on earth, was now in the fifth generation of nuclear missile production and their missiles had "a higher degree of accuracy than ours."

Pym shifts words on Falklands

LONDON (R) — Britain's Foreign Secretary Francis Pym Wednesday ruled out the use of force to regain the Falkland Islands while negotiations continue for a peaceful settlement but then retracted his statement.

Mr. Pym, who flies to Washington Thursday to see U.S. Secretary of State Alexander Haig and present British counter-proposals to Argentina's peace plan, first told parliament he would exclude the possibility of military action "as long as negotiations are in play."

Fifteen minutes later, he hurried back into parliament saying he may have given the wrong impression and asserting that the use of force "could not at any stage be ruled out."

Parliamentary observers said his prompt retraction was most embarrassing for the new foreign secretary, who took over just 16 days ago when Lord Carrington resigned, accepting blame for the Falklands crisis.

Mr. Pym's first statement caused a flutter in the financial markets. The value of sterling went up and gold prices dropped temporarily on raised hopes that a war would be averted.

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EEC to extend \$63m loans to Jordan

By Lima, Nabil
Special to the Jordan Times

AMMAN — The European Economic Community (EEC) will extend to Jordan loans and assistance amounting to \$63 million during Jordan's present five-year development plan (1981-1985), according to Mr. Maurice Foley, the EEC's deputy director-general for development.

Mr. Foley addressing a press conference here Wednesday, referred to the EEC's support for the rights of the Palestinian people to self-determination in their homelands.

He said that it is necessary for the Palestinians to establish their own state and achieve political independence.

Out of the \$63 million aid, \$27 million will be allocated for industrial projects that will be established in Jordan in cooperation with the Industrial Development Bank, Mr. Foley said.

In his talks with Jordanian government officials, Mr. Foley said priorities, as set out in the development plan were given prime consideration.

The Jordanian delegation gave a resume to the priorities incorporated in the plan with particular emphasis on agriculture, infrastructure, small medium-scale industry, manpower development, sewerage facilities, water and energy. It was also noted that the plan emphasizes social development and meeting basic human needs.

There was a general agreement in the discussions that the EEC's programme for the next five years would concentrate on certain priorities within the plan context, Mr. Foley said.

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Koreas report border fighting

SEOUL (R) — North and South Korean troops fought a four-hour gunbattle across the demilitarized zone dividing the two Koreas Wednesday, the defence ministry said.

The ministry said the shooting began after four North Korean troops were killed or wounded in a mine explosion while apparently trying to cross to the south.

It accused the North Koreans of opening fire first and pumping more than 800 rounds of automatic fire at southern posts in the zone. South Korean soldiers returned the fire, the ministry added.

The exchange, the first along the zone this year, caused no casualties on the southern side, the ministry said. Shooting erupted across the zone seven times last year.

Radio Pyongyang, monitored by the Korea News Service in Tokyo, said South Korean soldiers shot and killed or wounded North Korean patrolmen in the demilitarized zone early this morning.

The official North Korean radio accused the South Korean army of staging a grave military provocation against the patrol squad while it was making a routine patrol mission inside the zone.

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2 Syrian, 1 Israeli jets hit in dogfight

Israel, violating Lebanon truce, attacks Palestinians at Damour

BEIRUT (Agencies) — Israeli warplanes launched a barrage of raids on Palestinian targets south of Beirut Wednesday, only four days before Israel hands back the last slice of Sinai to Egypt under the Camp David peace accords.

First reports from Lebanese security sources said at least 19 people were killed as the Israelis launched wave after wave of bombing runs around Damour, about 15 kilometres south of here.

Syrian fighters, apparently coming from Syria itself, scrambled to meet the attack. Security sources said two Syrian planes were shot down and a Syrian military statement said an Israeli aircraft was also hit, although the Israelis claimed all their planes returned safely.

The Israeli strike was the first

since an Israeli raid in Lebanon after two weeks of heavy fighting which resulted after Israeli jets bombed Palestinian refugee camps, killing more than 100 people.

The Lebanese cabinet converted a routine meeting into a crisis session as reports of the raid came in, and it sent an urgent complaint to the United Nations Security Council, cabinet sources said.

U.N. Secretary-General Javier Perez de Cuellar expressed deep concern and appealed for an immediate halt to all hostile acts.

In a statement issued through a spokesman, he also urged all parties to exercise the maximum restraint "so that the cease-fire, which has generally held since July 1981, can be fully restored and maintained."

The Israeli strike was the first

GCC to mediate between Iraq, Syria

KUWAIT (R) — Saudi Arabia and other Gulf countries were expected to make a joint effort shortly to heal the rift between Syria and Iraq, diplomatic sources said here Wednesday.

They said a mission from the Gulf Cooperation Council (GCC) — comprising Saudi Arabia, Kuwait, the United Arab Emirates, Bahrain, Qatar and Oman — will visit both Damascus and Baghdad and might seek help from other Arab states.

The mission would probably be led by a key minister from Saudi Arabia.

The decision to send the mission was taken at a closed-door meeting of the council's foreign ministers in Riyadh Tuesday night after efforts by Kuwait to check the deterioration in Syrian-Iraqi relations failed.

The Israeli raid was concentrated around Damour, and Naameh, a neighbouring industrial area, and Ain Mazboud further inland, were also reported to be hit.

Witnesses in Damour said buildings in the already semi-devastated town were hit and they reported a number of car accidents as drivers on the main coastal highway rushed for safety. The bombing started several fires.

Initial reports that Palestinian refugee camps on the southern outskirts of Beirut were also bombed were denied by Palestinian sources and appeared to stem from confusion amid the scream of fire and thud of anti-aircraft fire.

But the village of Aramoun, near Beirut International Airport just south of Beirut, was reportedly hit. The airport closed as

soon as the attack began and incoming flights were turned away.

There was pandemonium in Beirut as jets, apparently those which had just carried out the bombing, roared low over the city attacking anti-aircraft fire.

In Damascus, a Syrian military statement said Syrian anti-aircraft units in Lebanon and air force planes went into action. It said one Israeli and two Syrian planes were hit.

Lebanese security sources said one Syrian plane was shot down in the Kresroun district, northeast of Beirut, and the other in the Bekaa Valley, east Lebanon.

Syria, which has a 50,000-strong peacekeeping force in Lebanon, last year installed Soviet-made SAM-6 surface-to-air missiles in the Bekaa Valley.

Bank and the Gaza Strip, had satisfied Israeli demands, the source said.

Meanwhile, an information ministry spokesman said President Mubarak had cancelled plans to attend a ceremony in Sinai marking the Israeli withdrawal.

He gave no reason for the change but said two governors from Sinai would attend the flag-raising ceremony.

President Mubarak's foreign policy adviser, Osama Al Baz, told reporters after Wednesday's meeting that differences still existed between Egypt and Israel over the controversial coastal Strip of Taba in the Gulf of Aqaba.

But he said "the dispute on where the border line should be drawn is largely a technical one."

U.S. envoy Walter Stoessel is currently shuttling between the two countries to iron out their differences. He is expected to come to Cairo from Israel on Wednesday.

Bombs kill 2 in Ulster

BELFAST (R) — Two men died and several people were injured when Irish nationalist guerrillas planted bombs in seven Northern Ireland towns Tuesday, police said.

The biggest blast was in the small town of Magherafelt near Londonderry where a massive car bomb exploded just as police were clearing the main square after a warning tap-off.

A 32-year-old passer-by was killed and police later discovered the body of another man seated in a parked car that was buried beneath debris.

Officials said a policeman was injured in Londonderry where youths pelted security forces with stones and petrol bombs.

Troops fired plastic bullets during more street violence in Londonderry during the night. Groups of youths pelted security forces with stones and petrol bombs and a policeman was injured, officials said.

Other bombs exploded in Londonderry, Belfast, Ballymena, Bessbrook, Strabane and Armagh. A policeman and several civilians were injured, mostly by flying glass and debris.

Officials said the bombs were planted to mark the anniversary of the death of guerrilla hunger strikers in jail last year.

The trouble in Londonderry, Northern Ireland's second city, followed the death on Sunday of an 11-year-old boy, alleged by local residents to have been hit on the head by a plastic bullet fired by security forces.

Randa Habib's CORNER

Summer shopping

If you are a sales person you want of course to sell. This explains why the Amman storekeepers always try by hook or by crook to make you buy something. Perhaps the most savoury examples are to be found in clothes shops where the selection grows every year, as does the price.

Nobody is now shocked to see a simple two-piece cotton suit being sold for JD 120 or an evening dress for between JD 200 and JD 400. The days are long gone when dresses never cost more than JD 50.

Since spring came, the stores have been packed with Jordanian ladies out to replenish their summer wardrobes. Being no exception myself I happened to be wandering along Rainbow Street the other day, when I was attracted by a certain shop-window; I entered to explore.

Many ladies wearing expensive clothes and absorbed discussions were viewing the items on display. One of them, a distinguished looking lady in her forties wanted to try on four dresses to the approving look of the sales lady. Having slipped on the one that particularly won her fancy she sauntered out of the changing room keen to see the reaction of the other ladies. The sales lady, having sensed a potential buyer in her flushed forth to shower her with compliments on her taste, and how beautifully the colour matched her complexion...

All this was not enough to convince the lady who still had scruples about the striking colours of the dress; finally the sales lady said, having thought of a good one:

"This dress suits you beautifully. It makes you look ten years younger."

"In this case I don't want it" replied the lady, suddenly having made up her mind. "You see," she added, "when I take it off I'll look ten years older."

Alia announces spring schedule

AMMAN — Alia The Royal Jordanian Airline—which will begin operating daily 747 flights between New York and the Middle East on May 1 — announced its 1982 Spring/Summer schedule of transatlantic air services.

The schedule—effective May 1 through to Oct. 31—announces the following services:

NEW YORK-AMMAN flights will depart from Kennedy International Airport at 10:40 p.m. nightly, to arrive next day in Amman at 5:15 p.m. (Sunday departure from New York operates nonstop and arrives in Amman at 3:15 p.m. Monday afternoon);

NEW YORK-VIENNA nonstop flights will depart from Kennedy International Airport in New York at 10:40 p.m. Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday and Saturday evenings, and arrive in Vienna at 12:30 p.m. next day;

NEW YORK-AMSTERDAM nonstop flights will depart from Kennedy Airport at 10:40 p.m. Monday and Thursday evenings and arrive the next day in Amsterdam at 11:45 the following morning. All of Alia transatlantic flights will utilise 747 aircraft.

NATIONAL NEWS BRIEFS

Arar receives congratulation visits

AMMAN (Petra) — Newly appointed National Consultative Council (NCC) President Suleiman Arar was visited Wednesday by several senior government officials to congratulate him on his new post. Most prominent among these visitors were Commander in Chief of the Jordanian Armed Forces Lt.-Gen. Sharif Zaid Ibn Shaker, Army Chief of Staff Fathi Abu Taleb, several NCC and Upper House of Parliament members and Saudi Arabia's Ambassador to Jordan Sheikh Ibrahim Al Sultan. Mr. Arar also received a number of congratulatory cables and messages from Jordan and abroad.

Ambassadors pay visit to Qasem

AMMAN (Petra) — Foreign Minister Marwan Al Qasem received in his office here Wednesday Japanese ambassador to Jordan Fumiya Okada on the occasion of the end of his term as ambassador to Jordan. Mr. Qasem also received Pakistani ambassador Shaharyar Khan with whom he discussed promoting further Jordanian Pakistani cooperation.

Australian minister inspects projects

AMMAN (Petra) — South Australia Agriculture Minister Ted Chapman visited on Wednesday a number of projects for the development of dry land farming (rain-fed crops) in the regions of Madaba and Al Mashar. Mr. Chapman inspected the areas planted by experts from the Ministry of Agriculture and Jordan Cooperative Organisation in cooperation with Australian experts who work on the Jordanian-Australian joint project on the development of rain-fed crops in an attempt to introduce Australian agricultural methods to Jordan. Mr. Chapman later Wednesday left Amman at the end of his three day visit to Jordan.

U.J. to head inter-varsity seminar

AMMAN (J.T.) — A seminar on Jordan's economy and its relations with the economies of oil-producing states will be held here early in September. The seminar is organised in cooperation with Oxford University, the University of Jordan Yarmouk University and the Royal Scientific Society. A special committee set up to prepare for the seminar is headed by University of Jordan Faculty of Commerce and Economy Dean Wadie Sharaya. The committee is entrusted with preparing research projects for the seminar.

Stats. institute meet Wednesday

AMMAN (Petra) — The technical committee of the Baghdad-based Arab Training Institute for Statistics opened its meetings in Amman Wednesday. Its members will discuss in the coming three days the institute's activities and programmes for the next year and will refer their recommendations to the institute's board of trustees which is due to start a meeting here on Saturday.

Seminar to study population problems

AMMAN (J.T.) — A specialised seminar on population and development will open at the University of Jordan on July 31. During the three-day seminar, participants from Jordan and other countries will discuss problems connected with population and development problems.

Parks open for visitors

AMMAN (Petra) — The three national parks of Dibbin, Zai and Ishtafina have started to receive picnickers. Jordan Hotels and Resthouses Corporation Assistant Director General Mousa Mahmoud said that the corporation finished all preparations to receive visitors. He added that maintenance work was finished during winter and that new experienced staff were appointed at these parks.



Prime minister receives heads of agriculture delegations Wednesday

Badran meets agriculture delegates

AMMAN (Petra) — Prime Minister Mudar Badran received at his office on Wednesday the heads of the delegations that participated in the Arab agricultural cooperative seminar. The meeting was attended by Jordan Cooperative Organisation Director General Hassan Al Nabil.

The heads of the delegations briefed Mr. Badran on the results of their seminar, which ended on



Sharif Ghazi Rakan Nasser (standing, far left) opens Wednesday a course at Queen Noor Civil Aviation Training Institute. Standing to his left are the institute's director, Mrs. Ayse Akrawi, and the courses instructor (Petra photo)

Two courses open at aviation institute

AMMAN (Petra) — A three-week management training course, opened at Queen Noor Civil Aviation Training Institute Wednesday.

The 13 participants represent the Amman Civil Airport fire brigade, Alia, the Royal Jordanian Airline and the Telecommunications Corporation.

Another course, on aerodrome lighting, was also opened at the institute Wednesday. The two-week course is attended by 14 ele-

rical engineers and technicians from the Directorate of Civil Aviation.

Both courses were opened by Civil Aviation Director General Sharif Ghazi Rakan, who said that the courses were designed to train technical cadres to operate Jordan's airports and their various equipment.

The courses are part of the Queen Noor Civil Aviation Training Institute's efforts to provide trained staff for the Queen Alia International Airport, due to open later this year.

Queen opens juvenile delinquents centre

ZARQA (Petra) — Minister of Social Development Inam Al Mufti opened at Yajour Wednesday the Usama Ibn Zaid centre for juveniles.

In a speech on the occasion, the minister stressed the importance of establishing such centres and the need for cooperation among the various government bodies in matters related to the care of juveniles and the causes of their delinquency, in a bid to enable them to be rehabilitated into their community.

The minister paid tribute to the efforts of the Ministry of Interior and the cooperation of its various departments in providing the most suitable human and living conditions for juveniles in Jordan.

In her speech, Mrs. Mufti referred to migration from rural to urban regions in search of better public services and also to Israel's forcible eviction of the Arab inhabitants from the occupied Arab territories who eventually come to the East Bank of Jordan to settle.

She added that these centres are continuously developing their programmes by introducing vocational training as well as cultural, social and scientific activities.

Spring Fete for the aid of handicapped children

AMMAN (J.T.) — A spring fete will be held on Saturday, April 24, at the residence of the American ambassador to Jordan (between Jabal Amman's First and Second Circles) for the aid of handicapped children, Mrs. Viets said.

Mrs. Marina Viets, wife of U.S. Ambassador Richard Viets and organiser of the exhibition, told the Jordan Times that the fete, which will be held between 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. will have hand embroidery; wicker-work baskets and home-baked cakes made by the mothers of handicapped children; refreshments; and a raffle.

There will be an entry fee of 100 fils, and all guests will be requested to use the residence's entrance near the American Club.

AWSA aim to alleviate brain drain to Gulf

By Samira Kawar
Special to the Jordan Times

AMMAN — Participants in a six-session interdisciplinary water seminar, which began on Feb. 10, at the University of Jordan met for the last time on Wednesday morning to discuss future training of water and sewage experts in Jordan and to formulate their recommendations.

Wednesday's session was chaired by Dr. Boulos Kifayah of the National Planning Council (NPC) and attended by some 30 University of Jordan faculty members and water specialists from the Royal Scientific Society (RSS) and the Amman Water and Sewage Authority (AWSA).

Dr. Ghaleb Odat from AWSA gave a brief report on AWSA's training programme for water and sewage technicians, which began on a trial basis one and a half years ago. Dr. Odat and Dr. Kifayah expressed their hope that the AWSA centre would eventually offer training to water and sewage technicians throughout Jordan and would help to alleviate the brain-drain of Jordanian experts and technicians to the Gulf. Dr. Kifayah explained that if the centre would ultimately be able to train Gulf nationals in agreement with the Gulf countries themselves, then these countries would rely less heavily on Jordanians to work in the Gulf and a point of saturation would ultimately be reached.

Dr. Odat regretted that the AWSA training centre is not functioning as it ought to at present due to problems in designing appropriate training courses and the centre itself. He expected that when the centre became fully operational, most of the teaching and training would be done by AWSA experts themselves, while experts from NRA and WSC and other institutions would step in to provide instruction in their own fields.

Dr. Kifayah pointed out that plans were going apace for the establishment of a satisfactory training programme at the AWSA centre. A USAID team had recently submitted a draft training

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for them to arise and at the request of client organisations.

The centre will commission university faculties and other employees whom it may hire to carry out studies and research in return for a fee to be agreed upon. The centre will in return charge client organisations a fee for its services. University faculties and staff are now prohibited from offering technical and consultancy services on an individual basis except through the recently established centre.

Referring to some of the problems faced by this "fast growing infant organisation", Dr. Abu Jaber said that gaining the confidence of the public and building it up to a point where large private and government institutions would consult it, is aims yet to be achieved. Another problem was introducing flexibility into some of the University's by-laws, which sometimes restrict fulfilment of the centre's commercial needs.

The centre so far has three main departments, Dr. Abu Jaber said. The first is an engineering department with design, supervision and a major projects branch. The department boasted 15 specialised engineers and it was hoped that it would soon begin the design of a project for the Arab Bank, Dr. Abu Jaber said.

A second "catch-all" department called studies and research had been established for conducting commercial feasibility studies and administrative, social, economic and other studies, Dr. Abu Jaber said. He hoped that this department would eventually branch out into more specialised smaller departments.

A third department, which still had only one employee in training, had been established to offer managerial training, Dr. Abu Jaber said. There was a large gap between corporation leaderships and junior employees in Arab corporations, he said.

Jordan will continue to expose Village Leagues, says Abu Odeh

AMMAN (Petra) — Information Minister Adnan Abu Odeh said here Wednesday that the Zionist enemy is currently implementing expansionist plans of annexing the West Bank and the Gaza Strip through the so-called Village Leagues.

He told a correspondent for the Algerian News Agency that through these leagues Israel intends at first to create electoral constituencies that would gradually

expand and replace national Palestinian electoral constituencies that enjoy the support of the Palestinian people since they work towards liberating the occupied territories and establishing an independent Palestinian state.

The minister explained that more than 40 per cent of West

Bank land has now been annexed by the Zionists and placed under Israeli army control for what they call security reasons.

Jordan has realised the enemy's plans which Israel presents to the West as part of and complementary to the Camp David accords and that Jordan will continue to expose these plans; the Palestinians under Israeli rule are fully aware of Israel's intentions

and adopt firm stands to abort the Zionists' designs, Mr. Abu Odeh said. He expressed Jordan's hope that the Arabs will realise the seriousness of the present stage and unify their ranks for the sake of confronting the Zionist danger.

Confronting Zionist designs will only be successful through a unified Arab stand, the minister concluded.

WHAT'S GOING ON

Exhibition

* *Carnet de Voyages*, colour photos by Emmanuel Jarry, at the French Cultural Centre.

Lecture

* Masterpieces of the early Renaissance, by Dr. Paolo Piazzardi of the Italian embassy, at the Jordan National Gallery Thursday at 7 a.m.

Today's weather

Khamseenic conditions will cease today as there will be a gradual drop in temperature, low clouds will appear and there will be a chance of scattered showers. Winds will be south westerly moderate. Aqaba will be hazy with light and variable winds changing to northerly moderate and calm sea.

Overnight low Daytime high

Amman	14	26
Aqaba	19	32
Deserts	13	28
Jordan Valley	18	32

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ECONOMY

OPEC: Oil market improving

VIENNA (R) — OPEC believes the oil market is beginning to improve after several months during which a world glut has threatened to send prices crashing, according to oil ministers meeting here.

The ministers of the United Arab Emirates, Algeria, Indonesia and Venezuela met as a market monitoring committee of OPEC, the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries. Libya's minister was in Vienna to observe the talks.

The committee heard expert reports on the market one month after OPEC set a reduced output ceiling for its 13 members of 175 million barrels daily in an attempt to defend its reference price of \$34 a barrel in the surplus-laden market.

Ministers such as Venezuela's Humberto Calderon Berti cited an

increase in prices on the spot market to back their view that the pressure on OPEC has eased.

"We had a very good meeting," Dr. Calderon Berti told reporters.

The market is recovering. Spot prices are better than a month ago. I think the decisions we took a month ago were correct and are having an effect."

Dr. Calderon Berti said OPEC output had in fact dropped below the reduced ceiling.

As far as the committee knew no members were exceeding their individually-assigned quotas within the total and some, including Libya, Iraq and Ecuador, were producing below these levels.

Market analysts say that Saudi Arabia, poised to take yet more oil off the market if necessary to defend prices, has let it be known it would be reluctant to help out if other members "cheat" and exceed their output quotas.

Dr. Calderon Berti dismissed speculation that some members would press to lower the \$34 reference price for Arab light crude at the next scheduled price-fixing session in Quito, Ecuador, on May 20.

"We are going to defend it," he said.

Western oil industry executives, however, question how long cash-hungry exporters can continue producing at low levels. Nigeria is under strong pressure to cut its price and is introducing emergency economic measures.

Much will depend on how soon demand revives from the current very low levels.

Dr. Calderon Berti told reporters Wednesday that total non-communist world demand was now running at 43 to 44 million barrels daily but would pick up to

average 46 million for the whole year, of which 20 million would come from OPEC.

Market analysts said that if he was right there should be an opportunity for OPEC to boost output in the autumn.

Dr. Calderon Berti said spot prices for Arab light crude had dropped as low as \$28.50 a barrel but had now picked up to almost \$31.

He said spot prices for British North Sea crude were almost \$2 above a low British official price of \$31. The low British price has been a factor encouraging buyers to press for reductions by OPEC.

Dr. Calderon Berti said the monitoring committee, which is expected to complete its work here this afternoon, would meet again in Caracas on May 18 ahead of the Quito ministerial conference.

Portugal to present plan to help Angola, Mozambique

LISBON (R) — Portugal's secretary of state for foreign affairs, Mr. Leonardo Matias, will put forward an ambitious project for the economic reconstruction of Angola and Mozambique when he meets Edgar Pisan, European Economic Community (EEC) commissioner for development, in Brussels on Thursday.

Government sources said Mr. Matias, who accompanied President Antonio Ramalho Eanes to Angola last week, would also try to persuade the community that an enormous opportunity was offered by a new political mood in the two ex-colonies that became staunch Soviet allies after their independence from Portugal in 1975.

Both countries have faced mounting economic problems since independence, including severe food shortages.

Pakistan to import Iranian oil

ISLAMABAD (R) — Pakistan is to import crude oil from Iran over the next year at the rate of 10,000 barrels a day (b/d), according to Finance Minister Ghulam Ishaq Khan.

The minister told reporters that the oil import was part of a short-term trade agreement between the two countries providing for two-way trade worth \$400-500 million over the next 12 months.

Mr. Khan said the price of Iranian oil would be "advantageous" to Pakistan, but gave no details.

He also said that during a recent visit to Iran he signed a long-term trade agreement for an initial period of five years, and accords on cooperation in oil exploration, shipping, and railway transport.

Bleak prospects for early EEC farm prices accord

But British officials maintain one year of favourable world prices for agricultural products does not make the budget problem go away.

Without rebates, Britain would find itself a heavy net contributor to the budget because of the small share of EEC agricultural subsidies it receives.

Ministers arriving for Wednesday's meeting said they were not optimistic that an agreement

on higher farm prices would be reached this week.

EEC foreign ministers will meet here on Monday and Tuesday to reopen budget negotiations and even a draft agreement on agricultural prices would be subject to a positive outcome from the talks.

Apart from farm prices, the agriculture ministers have a range of other issues to discuss which might also form part of an eventual package.

LONDON STOCK MARKET

LONDON (R) — Share prices were firm Wednesday and trading was more active than of late on hopes that a peaceful solution to the Falklands crisis will be found, dealers said.

However, prices ended off the highs on profit-taking and at 1519 the F.T. index was up 6.1 at 368.7 after touching 372.2 at noon.

Glaxo, firm since the interim results two weeks ago, was again outstanding, ending 16p higher at 637 after 641. Hawker Siddeley was up a net 4p after 1981 results and among other leaders, GEC

rose 8p to 832.

Gold shares were generally higher but North American issues

ended.

Long dated government bonds ended with gains of 1/4 to one point

on small buying interest and easier short term U.S. and U.K. interest rates, while shorts were up by around 2/4 point. U.K. average earnings figures for February were in line with expectations and had little impact, dealers said.

Smiths Industries was down a further 8p at 331 after Tuesday's

results and the accompanying cautious statement. Delta group was unchanged at 47 1/2 and RMC up 8p at 227.

Debate continues on U.S. budget deficit

WASHINGTON (R) — Congressional and White House negotiators failed to agree Tuesday night on ways of bringing the 1983 U.S. budget deficit down to below \$100 billion.

Congressional sources said another meeting would be held at the White House Wednesday afternoon.

And, they said, Democrats and Republicans planned to discuss

options — from tax changes to spending cuts — for cutting the deficit during meetings Wednesday with their respective parties in Congress.

Senate Republican leader Howard Baker has said if no agreement is reached this week, he would ask the Senate Budget Committee to resume consideration of its own budget plan.

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Australia to stage '85 World Athletics Cup

CANBERRA (R) — Australia will stage the 1985 World Athletics Cup, Prime Minister Malcolm Fraser told Parliament Wednesday.

Mr. Fraser said that Canberra had been chosen Tuesday as the site of the games at a meeting of the council of the International Amateur Athletics Federation in Jamaica.

He said the cup contest, to be held in the National Athletics Stadium in Canberra in October 1985, would bring to Australia 400 top international athletes and thousands of visitors and journalists and would be seen on television by 600 million people in 50 countries.

Tokyo had also applied to hold the 1985 World Cup.

Japan takes a tentative step towards competing in women's softball tourney

TOKYO (R) — Japan Wednesday took a tentative step towards competing in the World Women's Softball Championship in Taiwan, with which Japan has no diplomatic ties, the Japan Softball Association said.

The association said it had mailed a national entry form to the International Softball Federation (ISF) Wednesday.

But it added that it would send the list of team members to the ISF to complete its entry procedure only after it obtained confirmation from the organizing committee that no national flags and anthems would be used at the competition.

China, with which Japan has diplomatic relations, has maintained that it cannot participate if Taiwan is permitted to raise the national flag or play the

nationalist anthem.

The championship is due to start on July 2.

In Taiwan, where officials insist the flag and anthem have been authorised by the ISF despite protests from Peking, tournament organisers appeared to rule out the likelihood of Japan entering.

Istvan Jonyer, Hungary's hero at European table tennis

BUDAPEST (R) — Istvan Jonyer, the balding former world table tennis champion, was Hungary's hero Wednesday after inspiring his side to a memorable 5-3 win in Tuesday night's European men's team championship match

against Czechoslovakia.

The win followed the Hungarian women's 3-1 defeat of

Chinese-Taipei Softball Association President Ho Ming-Chang said the closing date for entries was April 15 and "it will be difficult for us to accept any further formal registrations after the deadline because of our budgetary planning and preparatory work."

Nehemiah, 23, received a signing bonus of \$100,000 and will get just over \$500,000 for a four-year contract—if he makes the team.

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Renaldo Nehemiah receives \$100,000 signing bonus

"There is nothing left for me to do in track and field," he said at a press conference at which the 49ers announced the signing.

The United States-led boycott deprived Nehemiah of a chance to compete in the 1980 Moscow Olympics.

The 49ers plan to take full advantage of Nehemiah's speed by using him as a pass-catching wide receiver. He did not play football during his three years at the University of Maryland, but he was a useful quarterback at his high school in New Jersey.

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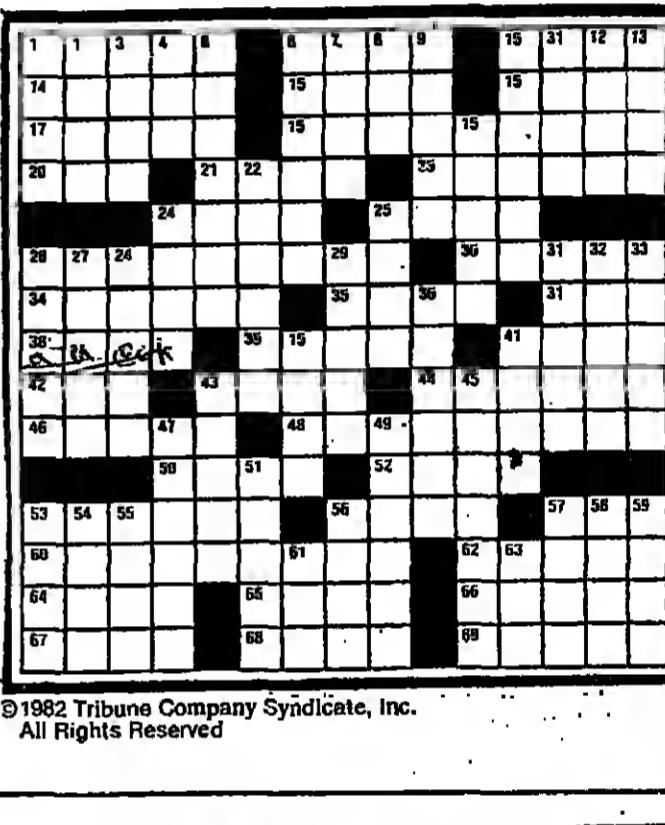
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A 'snapshot' of U.S. social and economic data of 1980 census

WASHINGTON — The U.S. government released provisional results from the 1980 census showing an 18 per cent increase in real per capita income for Americans since 1970. And, for the first time in history, more than half the adults in every state had completed four years of high school.

The social and economic data from the 1980 census, which census bureau director Bruce Chapman called a "snapshot of the country," is based on only about 1.5 per cent of the total national population. The final figures for the 10-year census will be based on about 20 per cent of the nation's households.

The early figures deal with income, poverty, education, employment and housing for the nation as a whole and for each of the 50 states, the district of Columbia, and the 38 largest cities.

Releasing the figures April 19, Chapman told reporters that "we're producing national sample data on our country at an earlier time than ever before."

"The census itself is more comprehensive than any time in the nation's history," he said. "We have asked more questions than ever before, and a cornucopia of data is beginning to come forth on the various attitudes of the American population."

The report confirms major social and economic trends of the past decade reported in many census surveys, and includes data on three subjects collected for the first time in a decennial census — Carpooling, weeks unemployed, and language used at home.

Here are some of the highlights of the findings:

— While 8.9 per cent of Americans used some form of public transportation to get to work in 1970, only 6.3 per cent did so in 1980. Despite rapid increases in gasoline prices, the majority of U.S. workers — 65 per cent — still drove to work alone. About 20 per cent were members of carpools.

— The number of occupied trailers and mobile homes in the United States jumped from 2.1 million in 1970 and 700,000 in 1960 to 3.8 million in 1980. This gives trailers and mobile homes the fastest growing share of the U.S. housing market.

— On housing costs, the report said median monthly costs for homeowners with mortgages rose 112 per cent from 1970 to 1980, from \$172 to \$365. Renters saw their housing costs rise by 125 per cent (from monthly rent and utilities).

— As the general population increased by 23 million people during the last decade, 22.4 million new housing units were built to accommodate the increased population.

— Women are continuing to make up a larger share of the civilian work force in the United States. The provisional figures showed a 46 per cent increase in the number of women in the labour force compared to a 29 per cent increase in the number of male workers

during the 1970's.

— While the number of family households increased 15.7 per cent between 1970 and 1980, Non-family households — persons living alone or with non-relatives — went up 71.9 per cent. The growth in non-family households reflects, in part, increased levels of separation and divorce and the postponement of marriages by many young adults. Non-family households made up 26.7 per cent of all households of these indicated Spanish as the language spoken.

— The 1980 census is the first in history to show that more than half of Americans 25 years and over of every state have completed at least four years of high school. For the nation as a whole, two-thirds of the adults were high school graduates in 1980 and 17 per cent had completed four or more years of college.

— U.S. median household income in 1979 was \$16,830, an increase of nearly 100 per cent over the 1969 amount. But after adjustment for inflation, there was no significant change in real median household income. However, real per capita income grew more than 18 per cent during this period because of the declining size of the average household.

— In 1980, one out of every ten persons five years old and over spoke a language other than English at home. Forty-eight per cent of these indicated Spanish as the language spoken.

— The foreign-born population of the United States increased by 4.3 million during the last decade, to 14 million. The percentage of the U.S. population that was foreign born rose from 4.7 per cent to 6.2 per cent.

— About 18.7 per cent of the 116.5 million persons in the labour force were unemployed for one week or more during 1979.

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Millionaire rescued from gunman

EDMONTON, Alberta — Millionaire Canadian businessman Peter Pocklington, owner of three sports teams, was rescued Tuesday night after being held hostage by a gunman in his home for almost 12 hours.

Police said Mr. Pocklington was wounded in the shoulder by a policeman's bullet which first struck the gunman in the chest.

The gunman was lured into a room in the house to collect the one million dollar ransom which he had demanded before Mr. Pocklington would be released, police added.

Police said Mr. Pocklington did not appear to have been seriously wounded.

The gunman was not immediately identified. Police said Mr. Pocklington's wife Eva had shown them a secret entrance to the house and four officers spent several hours inside before freeing the 40-year-old millionaire, best known as the owner of the Edmonton Oilers, a glamour club in the North American national hockey league.

Police said the gunman might have been planning to abduct Mrs. Pocklington but she managed to escape.

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WORLD

Jobs head agenda at SPD meet

MUNICH (R) — Chancellor Helmut Schmidt's Social Democratic Party (SPD), in a move which could further strain his left-liberal coalition, edged Wednesday towards approving demands for more government action to curb unemployment in West Germany.

A resolution tabled at the SPD national congress in Munich expressly rejected the conservative monetarist policies pursued by the United States and Britain and said West Germany should give top priority to securing jobs.

The motion, toughening proposals by the SPD leadership, cal-

led for more state credits and a surtax on high incomes to fund the fight against unemployment, currently at a 30-year high of 1.8 million jobless.

The proposals, endorsed by speakers including Labour Minister Herbert Ehrenberg, could set the SPD on a collision course with the liberal Free Democrats (FDP), who oppose tax rises and are reluctant to increase state borrowing.

The motion would rule out cuts in social services, a cause favoured by the liberals.

The economic policy debate, due to be concluded by early evening, temporarily overshadowed disputes over Western nuclear arms strategy which flared Tuesday night.

By altering the programme, party leaders left no time for the clashes on NATO missile deployment plans to resume. The conference was adjourning earlier than usual because of a European cup soccer match in the adjoining Olympic stadium.

SPD officials said the 440 delegates would not now vote until Thursday on whether to renew backing for NATO's disputed decision to station new U.S. Cruise and Pershing-2 missiles in West Europe unless arms talks with Moscow produce results.

The Bonn coalition came close to breakdown over economic strategy last year and went through

weeks of wrangling before agreeing on a 12.5 billion mark (\$5.3 billion) investment and job creation programme last February.

Mr. Schmidt acknowledged before the congress that the impact of recession had sharpened differences between the two parties, whose relationship has also been troubled by the SPD's disputes over Western nuclear strategy and over Western nuclear strategy and atomic energy.

FDP Economics Minister Otto Lammendorff Wednesday attacked the Social Democrats' latest economic proposals and said "there won't be any new tax increases with us." He told the mass circulation Bild Zeitung that Bonn should continue its course of cutting state spending.

Madrid asks Rabin to put off visit

MADRID (R) — The Spanish government told former Israeli prime minister Yitzhak Rabin Wednesday to put off a scheduled trip to Spain because of high tension in the Middle East.

A foreign ministry spokesman said Mr. Rabin had asked to come to Spain next Sunday but was told this was not a good moment for a visit.

"It was not clear whether it was to be a private visit or to speak to the Jewish community and we decided with the situation in the Sinai and recent attacks on Israeli officials in Europe it would be better if he put the trip off," he said.

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Gen. Jaruzelski visits Hungary

WARSAW (R) — Polish military leader Gen. Wojciech Jaruzelski left Wednesday for Hungary, the fourth in a series of visits to his Communist allies since he declared martial law last December.

The official news agency PAP, reporting Gen. Jaruzelski's departure, did not say when he would return, but he is expected back in time for a meeting of the Communist Party's policy-making central committee Thursday.

Hungary did not engage in the war of words against Solidarity launched by other Communist states and sent a message of goodwill to the union's first national congress in Gdansk last September.

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Pakistani aide in Peking

PEKING (R) — Pakistani Foreign Minister Sahibzada Yaqub Khan arrived in Peking Wednesday where he was met by Chinese Vice-Premier Huang Hua.

Mr. Yaqub Khan, who arrived from Canton, is expected to hold talks with Communist Party Vice-Chairman Deng Xiaoping and Premier Zhao Ziyang as well as with Mr. Huang, who is also China's foreign minister.

Afghan rebels reportedly execute Soviet official

ISLAMABAD (R) — An Afghan rebel group has killed a senior Soviet adviser it was holding captive because Moscow failed to meet a demand to swap him with 50 of its supporters held by the Soviet-backed Afghan government, a spokesman of the group said Wednesday.

Mohammad Yaqub Sharafat, information secretary of the Pakistani-based Hezbe Islami (Unus Khalis group), told Reuters the prisoner, E.R. Okrimyuk, was kidnapped from the centre of the Afghan capital Kabul on Sept. 14.

He was shot about a month ago in Afghanistan, the spokesman said.

There was no immediate comment from the Soviet embassy in Islamabad or the Pakistani Foreign Ministry on the claim of the Afghan group which is based in Peshawar, capital of Pakistan's North West Frontier Province bordering Afghanistan.

Mr. Sharafat, who spoke to Reuters from Peshawar, refused to say where in Afghanistan the Soviet official was shot.

"The Russians will bomb the place if we reveal it," he said.

"We offered several times to free him in exchange for 50 of our men but the Russians did not respond positively," he added.

Hezbe Islami said last November that Mr. Okrimyuk, 68, reported to be an adviser on geo-

logy in Afghanistan, had addressed a letter to Soviet premier Nikolai Tikhonov appealing for his release to be arranged.

The Geneva-based International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC) had earlier said the Afghan rebel group had asked it to take up the case and there had been contacts in Geneva between the ICRC and the Soviet Union.

But the ICRC's involvement was complicated because it was no longer represented in Afghanistan.

Mr. Sharafat said the Soviet prisoner had also addressed a letter to Soviet President Leonid Brezhnev.

He said his group gave enough time to the Soviets to exchange their man with the Afghan prisoners. "But the Russians proved that they are not interested in the lives of their own men," he added.

Mr. Sharafat would not say whether his group was holding any other Russians as prisoners in Afghanistan where there are an estimated 85,000 Soviet troops.

The ICRC said last October it was seeking to have several Russians captured by Afghan insurgents transferred to an internment camp in a third country so that it could visit them.

Poet Macleish dies at 90

BOSTON (R) — Influential American poet Archibald MacLeish, 90, died here Tuesday night, a hospital spokesman said.

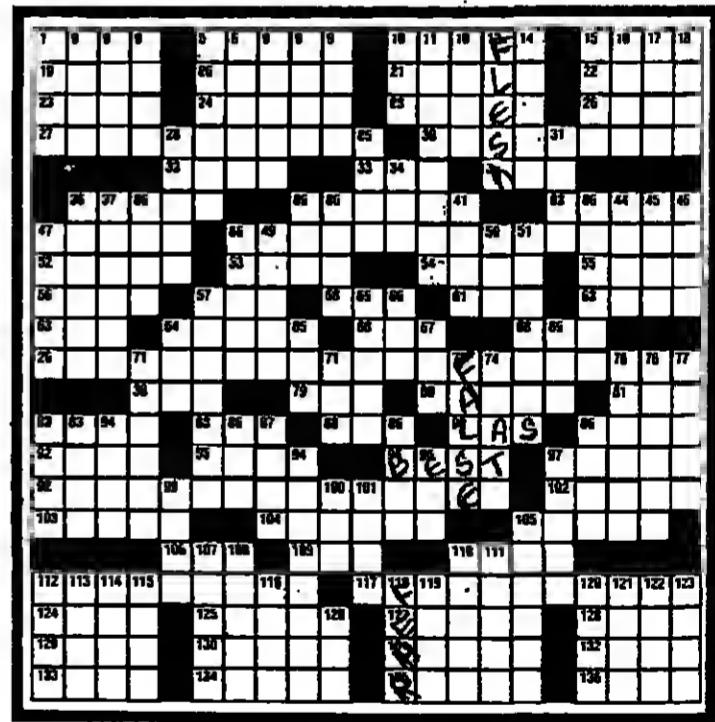
He was recognised as a major figure in American letters and won two Pulitzer prizes, the leading literary honour in the United States.

Macleish graduated from Harvard University in 1919 with a law degree but practised the profession for only three years.

He lived in Europe, mostly France, during the 1920s and returned to the United States in the following decade.

THE WEEKEND CROSSWORD

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Last Week's Cryptograms

- Bold echo reverberating in cavern shattered most old stalactites and stalagmites.
- Coin-operated concession carried cold cans of soda pop for sale at top price.
- Smart pro baseball player swatted a buzzing fly instead of a whizzing ball.
- Yellow team took tour of new farm, looking for slugging rookies.

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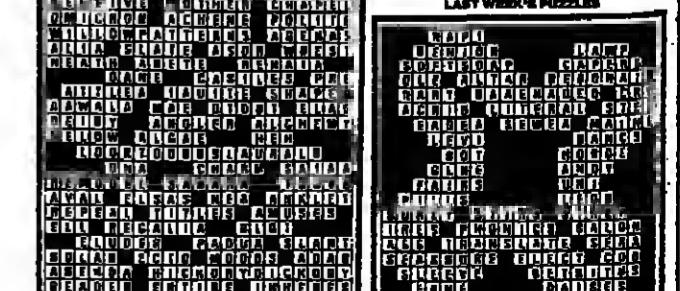
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SPRETY. —By E.P. Groves

SOLUTIONS OF
LAST WEEK'S PUZZLES



2nd wave of Falklands expedition at Ascension

ASCENSION ISLAND (R) — The second wave of Britain's Falklands-bound naval task force, carrying tanks, fighter aircraft and 3,000 troops, has begun arriving at this mid-Atlantic island.

Residents said the Canberra, a cruise liner hastily converted into a troopship and now carrying 2,000 British soldiers, and the Elk, a chartered cargo vessel transporting tanks and Harrier aircraft, anchored about one mile offshore early Tuesday.

The 11,060-ton assault ship, with 1,000 marines on board, also reached this remote volcanic island Tuesday, followed by the Dutch-registered Typhoon, chartered by the British navy, and several landing craft.

Shore leave has been banned. Helicopters and lighters taking supplies and personnel to the ships provide their only contact with the British-owned island, whose 1,200 population has been swollen by hundreds of British troops since the start of the Falklands crisis.

The last vessel of the first wave of the force, which included two aircraft carriers, left here last Thursday.

Ascension Island, 3,500 miles from the Falkland Islands, has become a vital supply base for the British force, which is sailing south to back Britain's diplomatic efforts to regain control of its South Atlantic colony from Argentina.

Residents say firing is frequently heard from parts of the island out of bounds to civilians and turned into training areas for the troops, practising, for a possible battle to re-take the Falklands, seized by Argentine troops on April 2.

Residents said the atmosphere remains calm despite the military influx. Besides the training areas, the island's airport, leased to the United States but taken back on an emergency basis by the British military, is closed to civilians.

GOREN BRIDGE

BY CHARLES H. GOREN
North-South vulnerable.

East-deads.

NORTH ♦ J ♦ 976 ♦ AJ1062 ♦ QK53

WEST ♦ EAST ♦ A 10273 ♦ JG54 ♦ Q102 ♦ 543 ♦ Q8 ♦ J7 ♦ A96

The bidding: Two of ♦.

East South West North

1 ♦ 1 NT Pass 3 NT

Pass Pass Pass

Opening lead: Two of ♦.

If cards had glass backs,

three no trump would be an easy contract. Just hang out the ace and king of diamonds, dropping the queen, and claim at least ten tricks.

Even though few of us are blessed with that sort of intuition, an expert card technician should still bring home his no trump game.

South's overall showed the equivalent of a one no trump opening bid. North's raise was rather aggressive, but we might have taken the same action because of the good five-card suit and supporting card in spades.

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captured the jack with the ace and returned the suit.

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analysis shows that that would be an error.

For his opening bid, East surely has the ace of clubs. If he has only a five-card spade suit, he quite likely will also have the queen of diamonds.

But if East has six spades, it is possible that West, who would then have only three spades, might have the red lady.

Declarer cannot afford to give up the lead twice to East, for then the spade suit will be established and cashable before declarer has his nine tricks. Therefore, declarer must first attack East's sure entry—the ace of clubs.

Correct technique at trick three is to lay down the king of clubs. If East refuses to win, declarer abandons clubs and concedes a trick to the queen of diamonds immediately. He now has nine tricks—two spades, two hearts, four diamonds and a club. Therefore, East must win the ace of clubs and return a spade, eliminating declarer's last stopper.

But now the queen of clubs is an entry to dummy.

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